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Applicants: Yoichiro Sako et al.

Serial No.: 09/601,733

Filed : August 7, 2000

For : OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM, RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM, AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM

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REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION

UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a request for filing a Divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/601,733 filed August 7, 2000.

1. [x] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application as originally filed including a copy of the signed Declaration and a copy of the drawings.

2. [x] The prior application is assigned to Sony Corporation and the Assignment was recorded on at Reel , Frame .

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3. [x] Priority of Application(s) No.(s)
PCT/JP99/06846 filed December 7, 1999, in
Japan is claimed under 35 USC 119.

[x] The certified copy in support of the
claim of priority has been filed in the
Prior Application Serial No. 09/601,733
and acknowledgment thereof is requested.

4. [] This is an application of a small entity
under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts
shown below in parentheses apply.

- b. [x] The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims Appearing in the Prior Application,
Less Any Claims Canceled By Amendment Below

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Fee
Basic Fee			\$770 (\$375)
Total claims.....	- 20 =	x \$18 (\$ 9)	
Independent claims... .	- 3 =	x \$86 (\$43)	

Total Filing Fee.....\$ 770.00

5. [x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to
charge any fees which may be required, or
credit any overpayment to Account No. 03-
3125. A duplicate copy of this sheet is
enclosed.

6. [x] A check in the amount of \$770.00 is
enclosed.

7. [x] Amend claims 10-14 and 44-46.

8. [x] Amend the specification by inserting
before the first line the sentence:
--This is a division of prior application
Serial No. 09/601,733 filed August 7, 2000.--

9. [x] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application identified above is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
10. [x] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Jay H. Maioli, Reg. No. 27,213, Cooper & Dunham LLP, 1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036.
- a. [x] The power appears in the prior application.
- b. [x] Address all future communications to:
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11. [x] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

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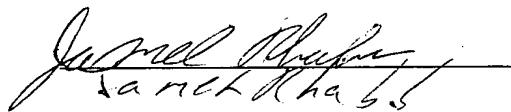
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